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Application of: Matthew R. PALMER et al.

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## **AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 19, 2002, an extension of time for which is co-filed herewith, please amend the instant application as follows.

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 1, before line 1 of text, amend the paragraph relating to priority data to read as follows. Marked up versions showing additions and deletions are shown in Appendix A.

-This is a divisional of pending U.S. Serial No. 657,264, filed September 7, 2000, which is a divisional of 09/180,502 filed November 12, 1998, which is a 371 of PCT/EP97/05065, filed September 16, 1997.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims 8-12 to read as follows:

8. (amended). A cassette comprising a supply (32) of image receiving tape (24), and a case having means thereon for attaching the cassette to an identically shaped cassette.